



Market Days at the River continue throughout the fall

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Yorktown Market Days at the River began in May with more than 25 vendors offering local produce, fresh seafood, gourmet herbs & spices, organic items, plants, baked goods, cut flowers, meats, pasta, sauces, herbal soaps & lotions and more.

Located on the banks of the York River between Buckner and Ballard Streets, the markets continue weekly through August and monthly in the fall and holiday months from 8 a.m. to noon on the following Saturdays: August 15, 22 & 29, September 12 & 26, October 10, November 14 and December 12.

August is prime time for produce, so shoppers will find the freshest and most flavorful fruits and vegetables, ripe and ready right now. Vendors at Yorktown Market Days will have fresh-picked, Virginia grown tomatoes, peppers, potatoes, beans, squash, eggplant, cucumbers, melons, sweet corn, berries, peaches, and more.

Also, 26 different local artists are participating in Yorktown's 2009 Market Days offering one-of-a-kind quality art for sale. Featured artists in the upcoming August markets include:

- **Tammy Bacot** of Gloucester County features jewelry and stained glass.
- **Jill Balsamo** of Chester features local photography.
- **Jacqueline Broughton** of Gloucester County features quilts and wall hangings, capturing the life in the Chesapeake Bay area.
- **Jeanne Eickhoff** of York County features acrylic paintings.
- **Jennifer Elves** of York County features handmade jewelry.
- **Paige Joyner** of Hampton features jewelry using semi-precious stones.
- **Mike Kravchak** of York County features watercolor and acrylic paintings of local and historical scenes.
- **Tina McCloud** of Mathews County features watercolor paintings and jewelry.
- **Betsy Minney** of Newport News features pottery including lanterns, bowls, vases, and garden art, all made of clay and hand built.
- **Roger Robinson** of Williamsburg features photography
- **Jay White** of Gloucester County features original silver work.
- **Lisa Wiertel** of Williamsburg, acrylic artist specializing in floral, still-life, pets and local landscapes.
- **Gayle Wilson** of York County features hand-built pottery pieces with a decidedly organic flair.

If you are interested in becoming an artist or would like additional information, please contact Susan Powell at susan.p17@gmail.com or Maydel Nelson at ladynelson06@cox.net

Entertainment is also offered each week including bluegrass, folksongs, sea shanties, country, western, swing, and Americana tunes. Customers can also sample specialty shops at Riverwalk Landing offering patriotic items, home décor, clothing, jewelry, art, rugs and more, while enjoying the river view.

Free parking is available in several public parking areas throughout historic Yorktown including the Riverwalk Landing parking terrace, York Hall, the County Administration Center and the York-Poquoson Courthouse Complex. The free Yorktown trolley is handicapped-accessible and runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily through October.

Limited space is still available if you would like to become a Yorktown Market Days vendor. Vendor information is available at riverwalklanding.com or contact Don Willis, Market Manager at 877-2933 or villageevents@cox.net for more information.

No rain dates are scheduled for the Market Days. In the event of inclement weather, please call the event weather hotline at 890-3520. For directions to Yorktown and a more detailed schedule of events, call 890-3500 or visit yorkcounty.gov/tourism.

The Yorktown Market Days is presented by the Riverwalk Landing Business Association and York County. Special thanks to the market founding sponsor 1st Advantage Federal Credit Union and market sponsor Farm Bureau Insurance for their support.



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